

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 5, 9 and 10 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A composition for treatment of pollution comprising:

a first component comprising a non-toxic, non-flammable, microorganism assimilable carbon containing substance in an oil phase;

a second component comprising a non-toxic nutrient in a water phase, the second component being formed as an emulsion within the first component; and

a third component comprising a diluent added to the first and second components, the diluent comprising a non-toxic, non-flammable, microorganism assimilable carbon containing compound which is soluble in the first component and is selected to facilitate viscosity stabilization for extended storage,

wherein the combination of the first, second and third components provide an initial source for culturing microorganisms present in a pollution site being treated.

2. (Twice Amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the first component is a microorganism assimilable carbon containing composition.

5. (Amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the oil phase is a straight chained, lipophilic carbon source.

9. (Amended) A composition as claimed in claim 8 wherein the microemulsion comprises droplets having a size of about 20 to about 400 angstroms.